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St Mary's College extended its commitment to active reconciliation with the introduction in 2009 of the Reconciliation Scholarships for Aboriginal students. The introduction of these scholarships is another step our school is taking to be welcoming of Aboriginal students and their families into our school community and in doing so, forge positive relationships with the many Aboriginal families and communities. The College affirms its commitment to active reconciliation and expresses this through a suite of active reconciliation initiatives within the College:

- Reconciliation Scholarships
- dialogue and an openness to partnerships with Aboriginal families and communities
- incorporating cultural symbols of Aboriginal communities into the St Mary's College site and story
- involving all staff and students in cross cultural awareness programs
- celebrating Aboriginal culture.

ST MARY'S COLLEGE PRINCIPLES OF ENGAGEMENT

1. From the perspective of Aboriginal Australians, we aim to increase opportunities for Aboriginal students to access Catholic education.
2. From the perspective of the St Mary's College community, we aim to increase our knowledge and understanding of Aboriginal Australians, their spiritual traditions and the issues that affect their lives. We do so in the hope of bringing Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal Australians closer together.

TERMS OF THE SCHOLARSHIP

1. The Reconciliation Scholarship is awarded automatically to all Aboriginal students of the College.
2. The Reconciliation Scholarship is an annual remission of \$1,000.00 on the recipients' tuition fees.